

Mrs. Maria W. Chapman

Dear friend,

Let me, though late, (for I have been away from town for four or five days) give you my welcome, as you tread again American ground. Would we had men and women here fit to tread this ground, and who knew how to make it truly free-soil. We shall expect a new impulse and quickening from your presence among us, and hope that you may be prevailed on to 'abide with us' a long time, - though well aware

how many attractions you have
on the other side the Ocean.

"We have much and deep
sympathy with you in regard to
the greatly-changed household
which you find at Weymouth.

Hoping soon to see you and
to offer my welcome and sincere
esteem, in person,

I am, Very respectfully
Yours

Samuel May, Jr.

Boston, November 28. 1855.



To

Mrs. M. W. Chapman,

Weymouth.